

Polrep #9

Harry Hines Drum Warehouse  
Illegal Drum Disposal  
Removal Action  
Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

Attn: Pat Hammack, OSC

Situation: On August 1, 1989 while assisting the EPA Office of Criminal Investigations at an illegal drum dump location, information was obtained from interrogation of suspects concerning a warehouse and an additional dump location. The warehouse and both dump locations contain leaking drums of hazardous substances initiating a classic emergency removal action. ERCS was activated on 08/01/89 with an initial ceiling of \$250,000.

Action Taken: Site personnel continue to inventory and catalog drums within warehouse. At this time, 139 drums falling in to 33 groupings (from hydrofluoric acid to empty) have been documented within the warehouse. Documented drums continue to be overpacked and staged in preparation for sampling and hazard categorization. Sample returned with results indicating approximately 5% amines including diethylamine. Bids are being requested for disposal options of contaminated soil on west side of warehouse.

Future Plans: Continue removal work inside and excavation of contaminated soil on west side of warehouse. Continue to implement the air sampling and characterization inside the warehouse. Plan to sample for acids and cresols. Continue removal of spilled product and drums in preparation for staging, sampling and hazard categorization of drums in the warehouse. ERCS chemist to arrive tomorrow to start HAZCAT procedures.

Kenneth Clark  
Region VI TAT  
Case pends

